

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

re Application of:

Chung et al.

Serial No.: 09/965,373

Confirmation No.: 6509

Filed: September 26, 2001

For: Integration of Barrier Layer
and Seed Layer

Group Art Unit: 2814

Examiner: Louie, Wai Sing

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

37 CFR 1.8

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited on
December 8, 2003 with the United States Postal Service as
First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner
for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Dec. 8, 2003

Date

Edgar J. [Signature]

Signature

Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 8, 2003

In response to the Office Action dated September 8, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on December 8, 2003, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/AMAT/6303.02/EJS, the fee of \$36.00 for two excess dependent claims and any other fees, including extension of time fees or others excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper